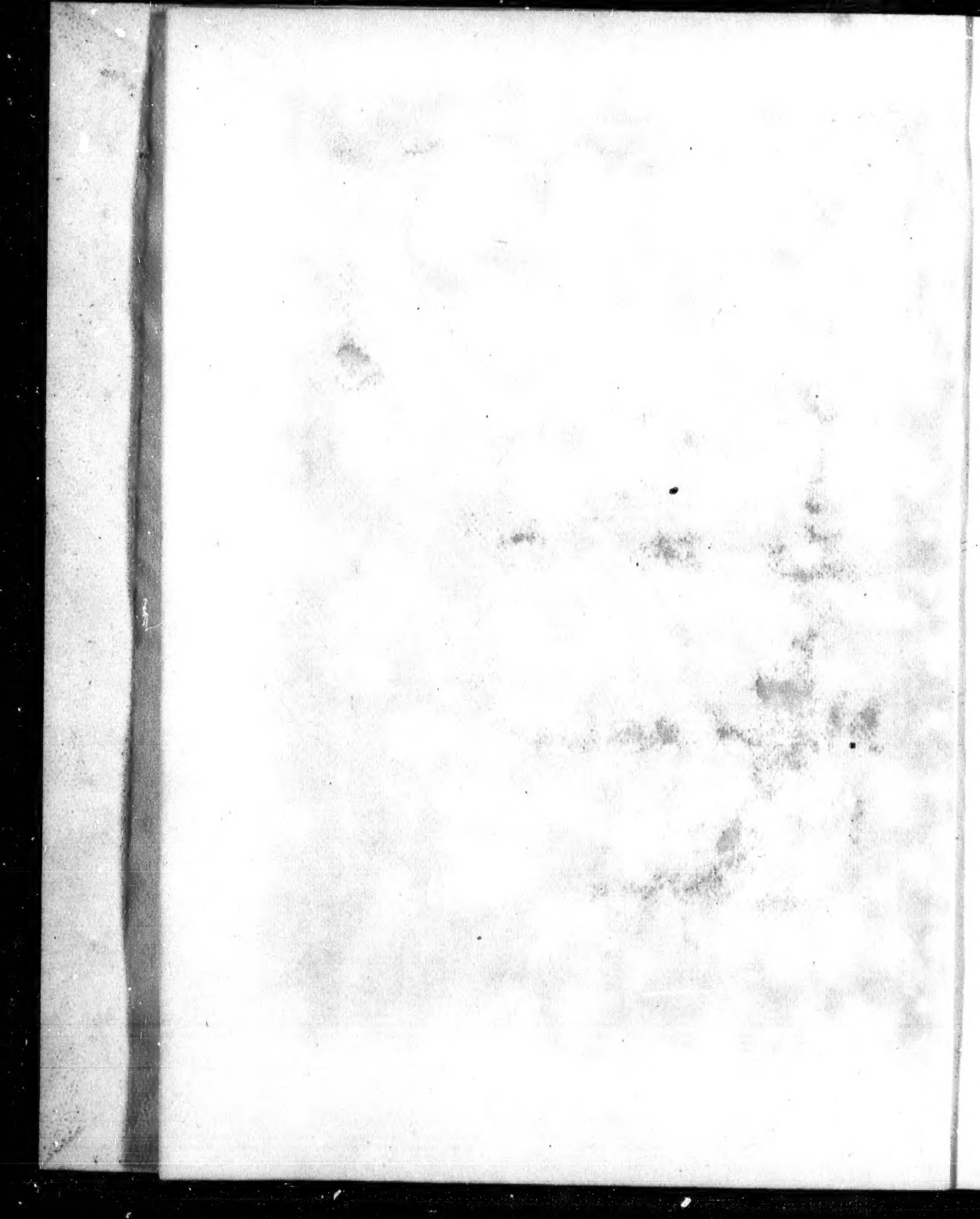




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OF

Victoria Lodge, No. 1,

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VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA.



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CONSTITUTION

OF

Victoria Lodge, No. 1,

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PREAMBLE.

For the purpose of effecting uniformity in the administration of the privileges, honors and benefits of Odd Fellowship within this jurisdiction, the GRAND LODGE OF THE INDEPENDENT ORDER OF ODD FELLOWS OF THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA ordains the following Constitution of Subordinate Lodges under its jurisdiction:

ARTICLE I.

SECTION 1. This Lodge shall consist of at least five members, including one qualified to preside at its meetings, to be hailed and entitled VICTORIA LODGE, No. 1, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, holding a legal and unreclaimed charter, granted or sanctioned

by the Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of the Province of British Columbia. It cannot voluntarily surrender its charter, or dissolve, so long as five brothers in good standing object thereto.

ARTICLE II.

OF MEMBERSHIP.

SECTION 1. All candidates for initiation must be free white males, of the age of twenty-one years and upwards, of sound health, of good moral character and industrious habits, having some respectable known means of support, and believe in the existence of a Supreme Being, the Creator and Preserver of the Universe, and be proposed in the Lodge nearest his residence, except that Lodge grant permission for his joining another Lodge; Provided, that application for membership may be made to any Lodge nearest the residence of the applicant, in the same county or district. A person may be admitted to any Lodge in the city or village in which he resides; but all candidates for initiation must reside in this jurisdiction, except such candidates as may apply from other States or Territories, where there is no Grand Lodge or District Deputy Grand Sire located.

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SEC. 2. All candidates for membership by deposit of card, or certificates of dismissal, or as Ancient Odd Fellows, whose cards or certificates of dismissal have been granted more than twelve months, shall deposit their cards or certificates with their proposition, or furnish satisfactory evidence that such card or certificate has been lost.

SEC. 3. No suspended or expelled member of the Order can be admitted to membership in this Lodge, except on a dismissal certificate, or on being reinstated, and receiving a withdrawal card from the Lodge which suspended or expelled him, or from the Grand Secretary, as prescribed by law.

SEC. 4. A non-affiliated Odd Fellow who has been regularly initiated in the Order, and has retained membership therein for at least ten consecutive years, and who at the time of making application for reinstatement of membership shall be over fifty years of age, may be admitted to membership in this Lodge, as a non-beneficial member, upon such terms as the By-laws may prescribe, by presenting a petition as required under Section 1, Article III, for proposals for membership by initiation, which shall be disposed of according to said section.

SEC. 5. When an application for membership is received from a person residing

nearer to another Lodge than to the one to which the application is made, the Lodge receiving such application shall communicate the fact to the Lodge nearest the residence of such applicant, and shall enquire whether such person is a fit and proper person to be admitted into our Order, and if in the same county or district, shall also ask the consent of such Lodge to receive and act upon such application; and it shall take no further action upon such application until an answer is received to such communication. The Lodge receiving such communication shall appoint a committee of three to investigate the character, standing, and health of the petitioner, in the same manner as if the application were made directly to such Lodge. Such committee shall report at the next regular meeting of the Lodge, and a certified copy of the report, together with a certified copy of the minutes showing the action of the Lodge upon the request for consent to receive and act upon the application (if such consent was necessary) shall be forthwith forwarded to the Lodge in which such application is filed, and said last-named Lodge may then proceed upon such application as in other cases, except that, if it be a case where the consent of the other Lodge is necessary, and that consent be refused, the

petitioner's money (if any has been paid) shall be returned, and no further action shall be had in the premises.

ARTICLE III.

OF PROPOSITIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP.

SECTION 1. The name of a person offered for membership, with his age, residence, and occupation, must be proposed by a member in writing, signed by the applicant, with the names of two persons as references attached, and entered upon the record; and forthwith be referred to a committee of three members for investigation, who shall report at the next succeeding regular meeting (unless extraordinary circumstances prevent,) when the candidate may be balloted for with ball ballots, and if any or less than three black balls shall appear, then the balloting shall be deferred until the next regular meeting. During the week the member casting the black ball may (and it is his duty to) inform the Noble Grand of the cause or ground thereof, and the Noble Grand shall, at the next regular meeting, state the reason, if any is given, to the Lodge, without exposing the name of the brother; and if the brother casting the black ball shall not have informed

the Noble Grand of the reason why he cast such ball, the Noble Grand shall, at the next regular meeting, if no other objection be made, declare the applicant duly elected; but if such reasons are disclosed, or other objections be made, privately or otherwise, then the ballot shall again be held, and if no more than two black balls appear, the candidate shall be declared elected; but if three or more appear, he shall be deemed rejected.

SEC. 2. No reconsideration of an unfavorable ballot can be had, unless all the brothers who may cast black balls against an applicant for membership, voluntarily make a motion for a reconsideration of the ballot; and in such case the vote on the reconsideration shall be taken by ball ballots, and if the balls cast be in favor of it, the reconsideration shall be had; whereupon the application shall lie over till the succeeding meeting, when another ballot shall be had with ball ballots, and if the same be unanimously in favor of the applicant, he shall thereby be elected; but if one or more black balls appear in either ballot, the applicant shall be rejected; and in no case shall a reconsideration be had, except upon the voluntary motion of all those who cast the black balls; and never more than one motion for a reconsideration in the same case shall be allow-

ed. A favorable balloting can be reconsidered at any meeting prior to the admission of the candidate ; Provided a majority of the members present agree thereto.

SEC. 3. When a candidate for initiation has been rejected, notice thereof shall be sent without delay to the R. W. Grand Secretary, and to all the Lodges in the county and district, and he cannot be proposed again in any Lodge for the space of one year after such rejection. All other applications for membership may be renewed at any time.

SEC. 4. No proposition can be withdrawn after being referred to a committee, unless by consent of two-thirds of the members present at a regular meeting, and before the report of the committee has been read to the Lodge.

SEC. 5. If any person shall gain admittance to any Lodge upon a petition containing any false representations, he shall be expelled.

ARTICLE IV.

OF FEES, DUES AND BENEFITS.

SECTION 1. The fees and dues of this Lodge shall not be less than fifteen dollars for initiation, five dollars for admission by card, ten dollars for an Ancient Odd Fellow, five

dollars for each degree to the Lodge Fund, and such amount of dues to the Lodge Fund as shall be determined by the By-laws ; in addition to which, the Lodge may, by its By-laws, provide for a Widows', Orphans' and education fund, and nurse and funeral tax, and for extraordinary assessments for Lodge purposes.

SEC. 2. Every member, qualified as required by the By-laws, shall in case of being disabled by sickness or bodily accident from following his usual occupation, or otherwise earning a livelihood, be entitled to, and may receive, such weekly benefits as may be fixed by law, from the funds of the Lodge.

SEC. 3. In case of the death of a member, qualified as in the last section, there shall be allowed from the Lodge not less than thirty dollars to defray the expenses of the burial, to be paid by the N. G., on account of the funeral. In the absence of competent relations, the N.G. shall take charge of the funeral, and render an account of the disbursements.

SEC. 4. The funeral expenses and sick benefits shall be regulated by the By-laws of the Lodge, and all orders drawn for the above shall be by vote of the Lodge.

ARTICLE, V.

OF DEGREES.

SECTION 1. A member who has been in membership one month, shall be eligible for degrees, but shall not be elected to more than three degrees at the same meeting, unless a dispensation be obtained therefor, from the Grand Master, or his Deputy for the district.

SEC. 2. Application for election to any of the five subordinate degrees, shall be accompanied with the amount required therefor, and shall be presented to the Lodge when open in that order of business, if so provided for in its Rules of Order—if not, then in the order of New Business—and when the Lodge has regularly closed, it shall then forthwith open in the degrees applied for, beginning with the lowest, and ballot upon the application, and if not more than two black balls be cast—and the Lodge does not confer the degrees upon its own members—a certificate shall be given the applicant, addressed to a Degree Lodge, or officer authorized to confer degrees, located or residing in this District, showing that he is a member of this Lodge, and has been authorized by a ballot of the members of said degrees of this Lodge, to receive them.

ARTICLE VI.

OF OFFICERS.

SECTION 1. The elective officers of the Lodge shall consist of a N. G., V. G., Secretary and Treasurer, who shall serve a regular term each, and the Lodge may elect a Permanent Secretary for the same time ; or for one year, to take charge of the accounts between the Lodge and its members.

SEC. 2. The appointed officers shall consist of a W., Conductor, O. G., I. G., R. S. to N. G., L. S. to N. G., R. S. to V. G., L. S. to V. G., and R., and L. S. S., who shall each serve a regular term ; and the Lodge may also appoint a Chaplain for a regular term.

SEC. 3. No member shall be installed as N. G., unless he has served a term as V. G., or the last of a term to fill a vacancy ; nor as V. G., unless he has served twenty-six weeks in an inferior office ; that service in office, whether elected or appointed, is qualifying in any other Lodge as well as in this Lodge, providing a brother has a certificate to that effect, under seal of a Lodge, in good standing ; Provided, that any Scarlet member may be elected, if all qualified brothers refuse to serve, and a dispensation being

granted by the M W. Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master or Deputy of the District, previous to the election.

SEC. 4. All elective officers, Warden, Outside Guardian, and Inside Guardian, shall be clear of all pecuniary charges on the books, and have attained the Scarlet Degree previous to installation.

SEC. 5. Nominations for elective officers shall be made only at the two meetings immediately preceding that of the regular election, except when the nominees for an office all decline.

SEC. 6. Officers shall be elected at the last regular meeting in each term, and be installed at the first regular meeting in the new term; Provided, the installing officer be present; if absent, the Lodge may, by vote, defer it for one week, or call a special meeting for the purpose, at the request of the District Deputy Grand Master.

SEC. 7. Any officer absenting himself from the Lodge for three successive meetings, except in case of sickness, or any officer, for misconduct or neglect as such, may be removed by a vote of two-thirds of the members voting, at the next meeting after a resolution therefor has been offered in the Lodge.

SEC. 8. Vacancies in any elective office

may be filled by the Lodge, by nomination and election, at the next regular meeting after nominating ; and until so filled, the N. G. shall appoint a member to the office, *pro tem.*

SEC. 9. The duties of the various officers shall be as laid down in the charges of office, and as specified by this Constitution, and the By-laws of the Lodge.

SEC. 10. The N. G., or officer acting as such, shall appoint the majority, and the V. G., or officer acting as such, the minority of all committees on candidates or charges.

SEC. 11. The Lodge, at the first regular meeting in January, in each year, shall elect one representative to the Grand Lodge for its members of fifteen or under , also one Representative for every fifteen members over and above first said number of fifteen, and one for every fraction exceeding ten members in good standing, as shown by its report on the 31st day of December of the previous year.

ARTICLE VII.

OF PENALTIES AND TRIALS.

SECTION 1. CLAUSE 1. Any member neglecting or refusing to make payment of his dues or demands against him to the Lodge,

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according to its By-laws, for the space of eleven months, shall be notified by the Lodge in writing of the state of his account; and if after one month his account still remains unsettled, he shall be suspended from membership; Provided, that no person shall be so suspended until after the fact of his dues being in arrears and unpaid for TWELVE MONTHS, shall have been announced in open Lodge, at two regular meetings; and providing further, that no person shall cease to be a member, under this section, whilst charges are pending against him.

CLAUSE 2. Any member suspended from membership for non-payment of dues, may be reinstated in the Lodge from which he was suspended within one year thereafter, by paying the amount of one year's dues and by receiving a vote of two-thirds of the members present—a motion to that effect having been laid over one week; but after one year he may be reinstated, upon the payment of the fee charged for an initiate of the same age, as provided by the By-laws, or such lesser sums as may be fixed by the By-laws of the Lodge to which such application is made; Provided, such sum be not less than the amount of one year's dues of said Lodge, and he shall petition the Lodge in writing to be reinstated, which shall be

disposed of, in all respects, as provided for in Article III. Section 1, for petition for membership by initiation.

CLAUSE 3. A member suspended from membership for non-payment of dues, and who makes application for reinstatement and for a withdrawal card for the purpose of uniting with another Lodge in this jurisdiction, may be reinstated and granted a final card at any time within five years from the date of suspension, upon the payment of one year's dues, and the usual price of a card.

CLAUSE 4. A member after being suspended in this jurisdiction for non-payment of dues for the space of five years, wishing to join a Lodge in this jurisdiction, shall be entitled to receive and the Lodge shall grant him, upon proper application, a dismissal certificate, upon the receipt of one dollar.

CLAUSE 5. A member suspended from membership in this jurisdiction for non-payment of dues, wishing to regain membership in another jurisdiction, shall, upon proper application, be entitled to receive from the Lodge from which he was so suspended, a dismissal certificate, upon the payment to said Lodge of one dollar.

CLAUSE 6. In all cases, when a member has been suspended for non-payment of dues, and his Lodge has refused to reinstate

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CLAUSE 7. Dismissal certificates may be received from the holders thereof on application for membership in Subordinate Lodges, in the same manner, and with the same effect, as withdrawal cards; and applications made on such certificates shall be received and acted on in like manner as upon withdrawal cards. But the holders of such certificates shall in no case be allowed to visit thereon.

CLAUSE 8. The certificates named in this section shall be only those provided by the Grand Secretary of the G. L. U. S.

SEC. 2. Any member who shall violate any of the principles of the Order, or offend against the Constitution, By-laws, or Rules of Order of this Lodge, shall be fined, reprimanded, suspended or expelled, as the By-laws may direct, or the Lodge determine.

SEC. 3. Every member shall be entitled to a fair trial for any offence involving reprimand, suspension or expulsion. No member shall be put upon trial, unless charges duly specifying the offence, so as fully to apprise him of the nature thereof, and to

enable him to prepare for his defence, shall be submitted to the Lodge in writing, and signed by a member of a Lodge within the jurisdiction, and a copy thereof, under seal of the Lodge, be served upon him.

SEC. 4. Such charges shall be referred to a committee of five members, who shall, if possible, be chosen from the peers of the accused. Such committee shall, without unnecessary delay, summon the parties and try the case. They shall keep full minutes of the evidence, and of their proceedings, and report the same to the Lodge, with their verdict. If a witness be a member of the Order, he shall give his evidence on the honor of an Odd Fellow; if he be not a member, then on oath or affirmation, and the proceedings must state that such obligation or oath was administered. No testimony shall be taken without notice, or opportunity for cross-examination by the opposing party. Upon the report being made, notice thereof shall forthwith be given, by the Secretary, to the party against whom the verdict is rendered; and he shall have two weeks in which to file his exceptions. If no exceptions are filed within two weeks, the Lodge shall proceed to pronounce judgment upon the verdict, and affix the penalty. An appeal from the judgment of the Lodge may be

taken, at any time within two weeks thereafter to the Grand Lodge; and if no such appeal is taken, the judgment of the Lodge shall be final. When a bill of exceptions to the report of the committee is filed, as above provided, the Lodge may determine upon its merits, and either sustain the report of the committee, or refer the same back to the same or another committee, or grant a new trial. If the Lodge deems the exceptions not well taken, it shall proceed to pronounce its judgment, and affix the penalty.

SEC. 5. If the accused refuse for neglect to stand trial when duly summoned, the committee shall report him guilty of contempt of the Lodge, which report shall be conclusive, and the punishment shall be expulsion.

SEC. 6. If a specific penalty for an offence be provided in the Constitution or By-Laws, the N. G. shall enforce it. If none be so provided, the Lodge shall decide by paper ballot whether the penalty shall be expulsion, suspension, or reprimand and fine. During the ballot the accused brother shall withdraw from the Lodge-room. If upon the ballot it shall appear that two-thirds of the ballots are cast for expulsion, such shall be the penalty; if two-thirds of the ballots are cast for suspension, suspension shall be

the penalty, and the Lodge shall proceed to fix the duration of such suspension. If neither expulsion nor suspension is determined as the penalty, as above provided, then the penalty shall either be reprimand, fine, or both; if fine is determined upon then the Lodge shall fix the amount, not exceeding ten dollars; if reprimand is decided upon, then the accused shall be reprimanded in open Lodge, by the acting Noble Grand. No ballot held under this section shall be reconsidered. All fines imposed under this section shall be charged in his account, and considered, in determining his standing in the Lodge, as dues; and when the fine thus imposed, added to his dues, bring him under the penalty of Section 1, of this Article, he shall be notified, and allowed the usual time to make payment. In all cases, if he ceases to be a member, upon reinstatement he shall pay the whole amount of the fines and dues.

SEC. 7. When a member shall be subject to the penalty of reprimand, he shall be summoned to attend at some regular meeting, to be fixed by the N.G., to be reprimanded from the chair of the N. G.; and until he so attend and be reprimanded, he shall be suspended from all benefits and privileges of membership.

SEC. 8. Notice of all suspensions, expulsions, rejections, and reinstatements, and of brothers who have ceased to be members in accordance with Section 1, of this Article, shall forthwith be forwarded to every Lodge in the District, and to the Subordinate Encampment of which the Lodge shall have been notified of such brother having become a member; and also to the R. W. Grand Secretary, who shall, at the end of each quarter, forward the same to all the Lodges in the Province, and also to the R. W. Grand Scribe of the Grand Encampment of Oregon.

SEC. 9. An expelled member can be reinstated only after a proposition, reference, and election by ballot, as in the case of a newly proposed member. A brother suspended for any cause, may be reinstated on the removal of the cause, or the expiration of the term for which he was suspended, without action of the Lodge, and the N. G. shall declare in open Lodge his being reinstated.

SEC. 10. Any member intending to appeal from the action of the Lodge, either in a decision of law, or where charges have been preferred, shall file with the Secretary a notice of his appeal, and the grounds thereof; upon which the Secretary shall forthwith

send the notice or a true copy of the same, together with a certified copy of all charges, reports, evidence and proceedings of the Lodge, relating to the case, to the D.D.G.M.

ARTICLE VIII.

OF FUNDS AND PROPERTY.

SECTION 1. The funds and property of this Lodge shall be held exclusively as a Trust Fund to be devoted to no other purpose than the charitable uses of the I. O. O. F., and expenditures legitimately made for Lodge purposes, and the advancement of the interests of the Lodge or the Order. The funds may be invested from time to time, as the Lodge shall direct, but no part thereof, or of the Lodge property, or of the proceeds of any sales of such property, shall ever be divided among the members; and in case of a surrender or forfeiture of the Lodge Charter, all the funds and property of the Lodge of whatsoever kind, shall be immediately surrendered and delivered up to the R. W. Grand Lodge of this jurisdiction, or to its officers or agents properly authorized to receive them.

ARTICLE IX.

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be concerned in organizing or visiting any illegal, spurious, expelled, extinct, or suspended Lodge of Odd Fellows ; nor paint on his sign any emblem of the Order, or otherwise exhibit any upon the same, or have any printed or engraved upon his business card, nor expose any in a public place as a sign ; or receive, or put any motion from the Chair of the N. G., unless he be a present or past N. G. or V. G.

SEC. 2. This Lodge shall not have a public procession, unless to attend the funeral of a member, or have any public celebration of any kind, or get up any ball or public amusement in the name of the Order, or admit to membership any member of an expelled or extinct Lodge, or reinstate an expelled or suspended member of this Lodge, without permission of the Grand Master.

ARTICLE X.

OF TERMS AND RETURNS.

SECTION 1. All terms shall commence on the first day of January and July, in each year, and end on the day on which the succeeding one commences.

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SEC. 2. The officers for the term about expiring, shall prepare and deliver to the

officer who shall install their successors, the result of the elections, and a regular report of the work of the term, including the names of those initiated, admitted by card, and as an Ancient Odd Fellow ; those suspended or expelled, and the cause thereof, and of those reinstated and deceased ; the number of certificates for degrees granted ; the whole number in membership. and the amount of receipts, accompanied by whatever amount may be due to the Grand Lodge.

SEC. 3. In addition to the above, the officers for the term expiring on the first meeting in January, shall annually make to the Grand Lodge a full return of the member of the Lodge (except such as are more than one year in arrears or have been expelled) ranked according to the degrees attained, and a statement of the number of members relieved in the past year ; the number of widowed families relieved ; the number of members buried ; the number of sisters buried ; the amount of money applied to each of these purposes ; designating the amount paid for the education of orphans, the amount of money in the Treasury, amount of Widows' and Orphans' Fund, and amount of investments.

SEC. 4. Should this Lodge fail to make

any of its returns, as required by the two preceding sections, for one year, it shall thereby forfeit its charter and become extinct; and it shall be the duty of the G. M., or D. D. G. M., to withhold the A. T. P. W., and semi-annual P. W., until such returns are made, and the amount due the Grand Lodge paid. And it shall be the duty of the last installed officers to transmit or surrender to the Grand Master or his Deputy, the charter, books, papers, furniture and funds of the Lodge.

ARTICLE XI.

OF CARDS.

SECTION 1. Withdrawal Cards may be granted to members who are clear of the books, according to law, by a majority vote, by ballot, of the members present when application is made. Should the Lodge refuse to grant the card, the applicant, on tendering a written resignation of membership, and paying all dues, shall be entitled to receive from the Secretary a certificate under seal of the Lodge to that effect; and such certificate shall be sufficient evidence of good standing at the time of such resignation.

SEC. 2. Visiting Cards shall be applied for in open Lodge, and the dues must be paid up to the time for which the card is to be granted.

ARTICLE XII.

SECTION 1. When any doubt arises of the true meaning of any part of these Articles, it shall be determined by the Grand Lodge.

SEC. 2. These Articles, or any part thereof, shall not be altered, amended, suspended or annulled, except on motion made in the Grand Lodge, at a regular session.

ARTICLE XIII.

OF BY-LAWS.

SECTION 1. This Lodge may make, alter or rescind such By-laws, Rules, and Resolutions, from time to time, as may be deemed expedient ; Provided, that they do not in any wise contravene this Constitution or the Constitution, By-laws, or Regulations of the Grand Lodge of the Province of British Columbia, or of the United States.

SEC. 2. The By-laws of this Lodge are in force from the time of their adoption, subject to the approval of the Grand Lodge ; and the manuscript copy of such By-laws

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Victoria Lodge, No. 1,

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ARTICLE I.

MEETINGS.

SECTION 1. The regular meetings of this Lodge for the transaction of general business shall be on Monday evening of each week. Special meetings may be called by the N. G., either at his discretion; at the written request of five scarlet members in good standing, or by a vote of the Lodge; and in either case the members must be notified by the Secretary or by publication in one or more newspapers. No business shall be transacted at special meetings, other than that for which such meetings may be called.

SEC. 2. The hours of meeting shall be seven and a half o'clock, from the first of October to the first of April; and eight o'clock from the first of April to the first of October.

SEC. 3. At all meetings five scarlet members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

ARTICLE II.

DUTIES OF THE N. G.

The N. G. shall preside at all meetings, shall preserve order and decorum, and may enforce the same by a fine of not less than three, nor more than ten dollars ; but his decisions on all questions shall be subject to appeal. He shall strictly enforce the provisions of the Constitution and By-Laws, and see that all officers of the Lodge and members of committees perform their respective duties, as enjoined by the usages of the Order, and by the Constitution and By-Laws, and enforce all fines and penalties imposed by the Constitution and By-Laws, or by a vote of the Lodge ; appoint the majority of all committees (if not otherwise directed). On the night of his installation he shall appoint, subject to the approval of the Lodge, the following standing committees, viz ; Finance, Relief and Room Committees. He shall give the casting vote on all questions before the Lodge, except in the election of officers, when he shall be entitled to vote ; inspect and announce the result of all ballotings or other voting ; have charge of the Charter, which he must always have in the Lodge ; sign all drafts upon the Treasurer, for such sums as may have been ordered by the Lodge, and perform all other duties appertaining to his office. He shall not make nor second any motion or resolution, nor take part in any debate, while in the chair. Previous to closing the Lodge he shall ascertain from the P.

Secretary the amount of the receipts of the evening, and of the Treasurer if he has received the same.

ARTICLE III.

DUTIES OF THE V. G.

The V. G. shall assist the N. G. in presiding over the Lodge ; appoint his own supporters and the minority of all committees on investigation and charges ; have especial charge of the door, and in the absence of the N. G. preside in his stead, and perform all the duties required by the laws and usages of the Order, and by the Constitution and By-Laws.

ARTICLE IV.

DUTIES OF THE R. SECRETARY.

The R. Secretary shall keep correct minutes of all proceedings ; fill up all certificates granted by the Lodge ; write and issue all communications, summonses and notices required ; notify all candidates of their election ; and attest all drafts for moneys ordered to be paid at a regular meeting. He shall endorse upon all petitions for membership the name of the applicant, and committee of investigation to whom referred, and forthwith hand the same to the chairman of said committee. He alone shall have, safely keep and use (when ordered) the seal of the Lodge. He shall have the authority

to give, without the vote of the Lodge (provided the brother be clear of the books and otherwise qualified), the required certificate to enable a brother to join an Encampment. He shall, at the end of the term, make out for the Grand Lodge a full report of the work of the Lodge during the term and shall enter it upon the minutes. He shall enter the name, age, occupation and residence of all candidates upon the minutes, stating whether they joined by initiation, deposit of card, or as Ancient or non-affiliated Odd Fellows. He shall enter a brief statement of the contents of all communications, petitions and memorials upon the records, and shall enter all communications from the Grand Lodge, and reports of Finance and special committees, in full upon the records. He shall perform such other duties as are required of him by the Lodge and the usage of the Order ; and shall deliver to his successor all books, papers and other property appertaining to his office.

ARTICLE V.

DUTIES OF THE P. SECRETARY.

The Permanent Secretary shall regularly attend each meeting, aid the R. Secretary in the discharge of his duties, keep just and faithful accounts between the Lodge and its members, receive all moneys due the Lodge, and pay the same, at the close of each meeting, to the Treasurer, taking his receipt therefor. He shall, one week after the expiration of each

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event of any brother neglecting or refusing to
pay the same when duly notified, he shall report
to the Lodge. He shall have a ledger, cash,
roster and receipt books, keeping the former
posted every quarter. He shall keep a list of the
members elected to degrees, with the date of
election and the name of the degree. He shall
fill up all cards, and endorse all cards of visitors,
and, at the close of the term, shall assist the R.
Secretary in making up the regular returns for
the Grand Lodge; render an exact account of the
state of his books, together with lists of brothers
who have ceased to be members, and of those en-
titled to vote at the regular election of officers,
which shall be in the possession of the N. G., to
be examined by him as their names are called.

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June and December, together with a
statement of the total value of the
Lodge Funds, and the number and
ages of the members, a duplicate of
which signed by the Finance Com-
mittee shall be posted in the Ante-
room of the Lodge.*

ARTICLE VI.

DUTIES OF TREASURER.

The Treasurer shall, prior to his installation, execute to the Trustees of this Lodge a joint and several bond, in the penal sum of one thousand (1,000) dollars, or such sum as the Lodge shall from time to time require, with two good and sufficient sureties, to be approved by the Lodge, for the faithful performance of his duties. The bond of the Treasurer, when approved, shall be entered full upon the records. He shall receive all the moneys of the Lodge, and

Amendment of deposit the same in *the Dominion* 15th October, 1877. *Government Savings Bank*, or some chartered bank in this city, as current account for Victoria Lodge, No. 1, I. O. O. F. He shall keep correct accounts of all moneys received or paid out. He shall countersign all cheques drawn by the Noble Grand, voted by the Lodge and attested by the Recording Secretary, under seal of the Lodge. He shall, on the first meeting in each month, place on the Recording Secretary's desk the bank book for inspection; also a monthly report, showing the amount of all receipts and expenditures and balance on hand. He shall, whenever requested by the N. G., give a statement in writing of the aggregate amount of funds on hand.

He shall deliver to his successor in office all the books, papers, funds and other property belonging to the Lodge.

ARTICLE VII.

DUTIES OF THE JUNIOR P. G.

It shall be the duty of the Junior P. G. to attend and act in the capacity of P. G., and perform all other duties appertaining to his office.

ARTICLE VIII.

DUTIES OF THE WARDEN.

The Warden, assisted by the O. G., shall have charge of the regalia and property of the Lodge, and shall report to the Lodge any injury done to the same. They shall place the regalia for the use of the officers and members at the opening of the Lodge, and at its close carefully collect and replace it. The Warden shall canvass all votes on motions and resolutions. He shall keep a record book of all property belonging to the Lodge, be the messenger of the Lodge, during its meetings, and perform such other duties as may be required by the Lodge.

ARTICLE IX.

DUTIES OF THE O. G.

The O. G., in addition to the duties of his office, shall (under the direction of the Warden) carefully place and replace the regalia, clean and

light the room, and perform such other labor as is necessary to keep the room in proper order for the meetings of the Lodge. As a compensation for the discharge of his duties, he shall receive such salary as the Lodge shall, from time to time, determine.

ARTICLE X.

DUTIES OF THE TRUSTEES.

Three Trustees shall be elected by ballot at the last meeting in June, 1876. The brother receiving the highest number of votes shall hold office for three years, then the next highest two

Amendment of years, and the *third highest* for one October 15th, 1877 year; and one Trustee shall be elected annually for a term of three years. All vacancies in the Board of Trustees shall be filled in regular manner for the unexpired term. It shall be their duty to draw from the Treasurer from time to time (in drafts drawn in the regular form), such sums of money as the Lodge shall

Amendment of direct, and *invest the same at interest* October 15th, 1877 *in Provincial or Municipal Debentures only*; to collect the interest

and rents monthly, and pay the same to the Lodge; to call in the loans or sue the securities whenever the Lodge may require them so to do. The evidence of every debt shall be deposited in some fire-proof safe in the city, and shall be exhibited in open Lodge at each regular meeting next following the election of officers, or when the N. G., or five scarlet members call for the

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ARTICLE XI.

DUTIES OF THE VISITING COMMITTEE.

The Visiting Committee shall consist of the N.

G., V. G., Treasurer, Warder Conductor, R. S. of the N. G., and R. S. of the V. G., whose duty it shall be to visit all brethren of this Lodge known to be sick, to render such assistance as each may require and the law allows, and to continue to visit them, at least once a week, until

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15th October, 1877. *contagious diseases.*

The visiting days of each member of the committee shall be for N. G., Sunday; V. G., Monday; T., Tuesday; W., Wednesday; C., Thursday; R. S. N. G., Friday; R. S. V. G., Saturday.

ARTICLE XII.

DUTIES OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The Finance Committee shall consist of three scarlet members. It shall be their duty to examine all claims against the Lodge, and all accounts which may be referred to them, and to report thereon in writing over their own proper signatures; also, to inspect and audit the accounts of the P. Secretary, Treasurer, Trustees, and all other officers or committees who may be charged with the receipts or expenditures of the funds of the Lodge, and to report in writing on the same, at the first regular meeting in each term, or whenever required by the Lodge.

ARTICLE XIII.

DUTIES OF THE ROOM COMMITTEE.

The Room Committee shall consist of two scar-

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ARTICLE XV.

All persons admitted as members of this Lodge shall pay the following fee, viz:— Amendment of

For Initiation :—

21 and under 25 years of age	\$20 00
25 " 35 "	25 00
35 " 45 "	{ \$2 additional for every additional year.
45 " 50 "	{ \$5 additional for every additional year.
50 and over	\$10 additional for every additional year.

For admission by deposit of Card, as an Ancient Odd Fellow, or for non-affiliate, if under 35 years of age.....\$10 00

When 35 years of age and over, the increase in the scale of Initiation fees to be added in accordance with age.

ARTICLE XVI.

DUES.

Amendment of 15th October, 1877 Every member shall pay as dues the sum of three (\$3) dollars per quarter, which must be promptly paid on or before the last regular meeting of each quarter, and previous to the election for officers, or he shall not be entitled to vote.

On the death of a brother, a member of this Lodge, who was at the time of his death in good standing, and if Funeral expenses have been incurred; each member shall be assessed One Dollar (\$1);

Amendment of 15th October, 1877 and on the death of the wife, or widow of a brother each member shall be assessed Fifty cents (50 cents); both

Amendment of 15th October, 1877. assessments to go to the Sick and Funeral Fund.

ARTICLE XVII.

DEGREES.

No degree shall be granted to any member who is in arrears for dues, or against whom

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there are fines or assessments unpaid, or charges undetermined. Five (\$5) dollars shall be charged for each degree, excepting the fifth or scarlet degree, which shall be (\$10) ten dollars. If not more than two black balls be deposited, a certificate shall be given to the applicant, under the seal of the Lodge, in conformity with Art. V., Sec. 2, of the Constitution ; but if the applicant be rejected, no application shall again be entertained from the same member for three months from the time of his rejection.

ARTICLE XVIII.

APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS.

The Funds of this Lodge shall be divided as follows:—1st, Sick and Funeral Fund. 2nd, Management Fund. 3rd. Widow and Orphans' Fund. Amendment of 15th October, 1877.

Five per cent of the gross receipts of the Lodge (with the exception of Funeral Assessments, and the interest arising from the invested capital of the Widow and Orphans' Fund) together with all fines, and the interest on its own invested capital, shall be appropriated to form a Widow and Orphans' Fund ; this Fund shall be governed by the By-Laws specially enacted therefor.

Ninety-five per cent. of all Initiation and Degree fees ; forty-five per

cent. of the dues paid by members ; the assessments levied for funerals, and the interest from its own invested capital, shall be paid to the Sick and Funeral Fund ; and from it shall be paid the benefits to members while sick, and the funeral expenses of deceased members, members deceased wives, and deceased members widows ; and no part of this fund shall be appropriated to any other purpose whatsoever

To the Management Fund shall be paid fifty per cent of members dues, and all other receipts of the Lodge except those already specified to be paid to the other funds ; and from it shall be paid the necessary expenses of Management and such other objects of the society not otherwise provided for by the Sick and Funeral and Widow and Orphans' Funds.

A separate and distinct account shall be kept of the receipts and disbursements of each Fund.

ARTICLE XIX.

MEMBERSHIP.

SECTION 1. All persons admitted as members must be of industrious habits, possessed of some known and honorable means of support, free from all infirmities which may prevent them from gaining a livelihood for themselves or families, and otherwise qualified in accordance with Art. II. of the Constitution. All applications for membership must be accompanied by the recommendation of a member of this Lodge in good

standing, together with not less than two references, and with the *sum of ten dollars* in accordance with Art. XV. Amendment of October 15th, 1877. of these By-Laws; but, should an applicant be rejected, the fee shall be returned to him. Should he be elected, and not appear for initiation within *three months* thereafter, the fee Amendment of October 15th, 1877. deposited by him shall be *forfeited* and he shall not be admitted; but he may present a new petition, which must take the usual course.

Every candidate shall, previous to joining this Lodge by initiation or affiliation, furnish the Lodge with a certificate of health signed by a medical man who is a member of the Order. Amendment of October 15th, 1877

No candidate shall be initiated on the same evening of his election, without a vote of two-thirds of the members present. Every person upon being admitted a member of this Lodge, shall sign the Constitution and By-Laws, thereby pledging himself to support, maintain and abide by the same, *or any addition or amendments thereto which may hereafter be made, and to pay promptly all demands against him as soon as they shall become due.* Amendment of October 15th, 1877. He shall also inform the P. Secretary of his place of residence, and should he change it he shall immediately give notice to the P. Secretary of such change.

ARTICLE XX.

BALLOTS AND ELECTIONS.

SECTION 1. When ballots are taken, the ballot-

box shall be placed upon the pedestal in front, and in full view of the N. G. The members shall advance singly and deposit their ballots, which shall be duly inspected by the N. G. and his supporters, and the result declared to the Lodge.

SEC. 2. At elections for officers, the Warden shall (in connection with two tellers appointed by the N. G.) receive the votes cast in the ballot box. A majority of all the ballots cast shall be necessary to elect. They shall canvass all the votes, and declare the results to the N. G., by whom it shall be announced to the Lodge. If, on the second ballot, no candidate shall have received a majority of all the ballots cast, a third ballot shall be had between the two highest candidates on the list.

ARTICLE XXI.

BENEFITS.

SECTION 1. A member not disqualified to receive benefits, who, by sickness or accident, may be rendered incapable of earning a livelihood, shall receive from the funds of the Lodge six dollars for an Initiatory Brother, and of the first, second, third and fourth degrees per week, and ten dollars per week, for the fifth or scarlet degree, during such sickness or inability, except he was absent from the city, in which case he must comply with the requisitions of the second Section of this Article. His benefits shall not commence more than one week pre-

vious to the time of being reported to the Lodge. If his sickness or inability proceed from intemperance or immoral conduct, or be occasioned by any constitutional disease, or bodily infirmity, which existed at the time of his admission, and which was concealed intentionally from the Lodge, he shall not be entitled to receive any benefits. And no brother shall be entitled to benefits until he shall have been a member for six months. Brothers must be sick seven days to receive benefits.

SEC. 2. To entitle a member taken sick at a point remote from this Lodge, to benefits, he must send, or cause to be sent, to the N. G., a true statement of his case, complaint and circumstances, and the cause and origin of his illness, attested by the N. G. of some Lodge near him ; but if there is no Lodge near him, then the same must be stated by the certificate of a physician, a magistrate, a British Consul, or a master of a vessel.

SEC. 3. No member who may neglect to pay his dues for the space Amendment of 15th October, 1877. of two weeks after they become due shall be entitled to receive benefits by reason of any payment he may make during his sickness or bodily infirmity.

SEC. 4. On the death of a brother entitled to benefits, the sum of seventy-five (\$75) dollars shall be appropriated and paid by the N. G., to his relatives or representatives Amendment of 15th October, 1877 toward defraying his funeral expenses. On the death of the wife of a brother entitled to benefits, he shall receive thirty-five

(\$35) dollars to assist him in defraying the funeral expenses. On the death of the widow of a brother who was at the time of his death in good standing, the sum of thirty-five (\$35) dollars shall be appropriated to assist in defraying her

Amendment of funeral expenses, and paid to the 15th October, 1877. *relatives or representatives, if any, unless otherwise ordered by the Lodge.*

Amendment of 15th October, 1877 *If a deceased member or a deceased member's widow leave no relative or representative to take charge of the funeral, it shall be the duty of the N. G. to make arrangements for the interment of the deceased; but in no case shall the sum paid for such expenses exceed the sum provided for in these Rules.*

If no funeral expenses are incurred by the death of a brother, wife, or widow, no appropriation shall be made from the funds of the Lodge.

ARTICLE XXII.

CARDS.

Visiting or Clearance Cards can be granted only in open Lodge, and by the payment of one dollar for a Visiting, and two dollars and fifty cents for a Clearance Card. All arrears, fines and assessments must be paid before a motion to grant a Card can be entertained. All dues must be paid to the end of the time for which a Visiting Card may be granted.

ARTICLE XXIII.

FINES AND PENALTIES.

SECTION 1. No member who *has* Amendment of 15th October, 1877.
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space of two weeks after they become
due shall be entitled to vote upon any question,
 neither shall he be entitled to receive the pecuniary benefits of this Lodge (except he be absent from the city in which case he shall be allowed an additional time of two months.

SEC. 2. Every member who shall neglect or refuse to pay his arrearages to the Lodge for the space of eleven months, shall be notified thereof by the P. Secretary, if practicable; and, if after four weeks, his account still remains unsettled, he shall cease to be a member. (All proceedings under this Section shall be conducted in conformity with Art. VII, Sec. 1 and 2, of the Constitution.)

SEC. 3. *In case a sick member* Amendment of 15th October, 1877.
shall require the services of a nurse,
the N. G. shall appoint one, the expenses of the same shall be paid from
the Management Fund, this fund to
be recouped by a half-yearly assessment pro rata on the members.

SEC. 4. Every member of a committee who may fail to perform his duty, shall be fined not less than two, or more than twenty dollars for each neglect.

SEC. 5. If any member shall disregard the authority of the N. G., by persisting in using

improper language, or shall be guilty of improper conduct either in or out of the Lodge ; or shall knowingly propose an unworthy candidate for membership ; or shall be guilty of habitual drunkenness, or of any infamous offense against the laws of the land ; or feigning sickness with a view to abuse the benevolent intentions of the Order, or shall divulge (except to a member of the Order) any proceedings of this or any Lodge required by him to be kept secret ; or the name of any brother who opposed the admission of any candidate ; or reveal any of the secrets of the Order, shall be fined, expelled, or suspended, at the discretion of the Lodge.

SEC. 6. Every officer who shall be absent at roll call, after opening of the Lodge, at a regular or special meeting, shall be fined as follows : N. G. and other elective officers, two dollars ; Warden, and other appointed officers, fifty cents.

SEC. 7. Absentees shall render their excuses in open Lodge. Absence from the city, sickness of self or family, attendance on the sick, and on Lodge or official duties ; impossibility to attend on account of some unavoidable cause, shall be good excuses for non-attendance ; but, without any of these excuses, the fines shall be enforced. An officer or member having been fined, may appeal to the Lodge to have his fine remitted ; and if the appeal be sustained by two-thirds of all the members present, the fine shall be remitted.

ARTICLE XXIV.

FUNDS.

Benefits due, relief granted, or the current expenses of the Lodge, may be paid at any regular meeting, by a majority vote of the members present: but the investments, securities and funds of this Lodge shall not be otherwise disposed of, or transferred in whole or in part, unless by a resolution to that effect offered at a regular meeting, which shall be acted upon at the next regular meeting; when, if two-thirds of all the members present concur therein, it shall be adopted; *provided*, that no motion to loan the funds to private individuals or members of the Lodge, shall be at any time put to the Lodge.

ARTICLE XXV.

MISCELLANEOUS.

SECTION 1. On the death of a brother of this Lodge, it shall be the duty of the N. G. and other authorized officers, to summon every member of the Lodge to attend the funeral by, advertising a notice thereof in as many of the daily papers as the exigency of the case will admit, unless otherwise requested by the nearest relatives of the deceased.

SEC. 2. The brothers shall assemble at the

Lodge Room where the roll of members shall be called, at time the appointed in the advertisement, and all who are absent shall be subject to a fine of (\$1) One Dollar. Sickness or attendance upon the sick, burial of the dead, absence from the city, or attendance as a juror, shall be sufficient excuse to remit the fine, and in no other case shall the fine be remitted.

SEC. 3. Any brother who shall be present and answer to his name at roll call and afterwards leave the Lodge or the procession without the permission of the N. G., shall be subject to a fine of One (\$1) Dollar, and it shall be the duty of every brother to report all such cases to the N. G.

SEC. 4. No part of these By-Laws shall be repealed, amended, suspended, altered or annulled, unless a proposition in writing be made at Amendment of least *two months* previous to the 15th October, 1877 time of its being acted upon, when, if two-thirds, of all the members present vote in favor of such proposition, it shall be adopted.

SEC. 5. These By-Laws and Rules of Order shall take effect from the time that the printed copies shall have been received by the Lodge; and at that time, all By-Laws, in force prior to the date hereof shall stand repealed; and all Resolutions or Rules of Order that conflict with these By-Laws, or Resolutions and Rules

of Order, except attached hereto, shall be rescinded.

Adopted October 11th, 1869.

JOSHUA DAVIES,

ATTEST :

Noble Grand.

CHARLES HAYWARD,

Recording Secretary.

Adopted as amended October 15th, 1877.

DAVID DALE,

ATTEST :

Noble Grand.

FRED.'K DAVEY,

Recording Secretary.

Approved by the Grand Lodge of the Province of British Columbia, February 11th, 1878.

J. D. ROBINSON,

Grand Secretary.





ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Opening.
2. Roll of Officers called.
3. Reading Minutes of preceding meeting.
4. Action on Official Reports and Bonds.
5. Report of Visiting Committee.
6. Ordering Drafts for Benefits.
7. Brothers sick to be reported.
8. Reports of Committees, and Candidates
balloted for.
9. Initiation.
10. Recess.
11. Absentees of previous meeting called.
12. Propositions for Membership.
13. Reports of Committees.
 1. Finance Committee.
 2. Room Committee.
 3. Trustees.
 4. Special Committees.
14. Unfinished Business on the Minutes.
15. Communications received and disposed of.
 1. Grand Lodge or Grand Officers.
 2. D. D. Grand Master.
 3. General Relief Committee.
 4. Miscellaneous.

16. Application for Cards.
17. Application for Degrees.
18. Election for Officers.
19. New Business.
20. Good of the Order. *
21. Permanent Secretary's Report.
22. Closing.

* N. B.—Under this head, brothers may express themselves on matters appertaining to the Order, without any question being before the Lodge.

Adopted October, 11th, 1869.

JOSHUA DAVIES,
Noble Grand.

ATTEST :

CHARLES HAYWARD,
Recording Secretary.



RULES OF ORDER

OF

VICTORIA LODGE, No. 1,

I. O. O. F.

1. When the N. G. takes the chair, the officers and brothers shall take their respective stations, and at the sound of the gavel there shall be a general silence, and if there be a Chaplain, then join with him in prayer.

2. The N. G. shall preserve order and decorum and pronounce the decisions of the Lodge on all subjects ; he shall decide questions of order without debate, subject to an appeal to the Lodge by any brother, on which appeal no brother shall speak but once, when the question before the Lodge shall be : "Shall the decision of the N. G. stand as the judgment of the Lodge?" Which question shall be taken by the V. G. All motions must be put from the N. G.'s chair.

3. No question shall be stated unless moved and seconded, nor be open for consideration until stated by the N. G.; and when a question is before the Lodge, no motion shall be received,

unless—1st. To lay upon the table ; 2d. The previous question ; 3d. To postpone to a particular time ; 4th. To postpone indefinitely ; 5th. To recommit ; 6th. To refer ; 7th. To amend. And they shall have preference in the order in which they are here arranged, and the first two shall be decided without debate.

4. No motion shall be made by one brother while another is speaking, and no motion shall be made or seconded without rising and addressing the N. G.

5. Any brother making a motion shall reduce the same to writing, at the request of the N. G. or any brother ; in which case it shall not be before the Lodge until it be so written and read from the Secretary's desk.

6. No resolution shall be offered to the Lodge except in writing, and signed by the brother offering the same.

7. No brother shall be interrupted while speaking, except it be to call him to order, or for the purpose of explanation.

8. If a brother, while speaking, be called to order, he shall, at the request of the N. G., take his seat until the question of order is determined, when, if permitted, he may proceed again.

9. No brother shall speak without rising in his place, respectfully addressing the N. G. by his title, and having his name announced by the Chair. Brothers shall confine themselves to the question under debate, and avoid all personalities and indecorous or sarcastic language.

10. If two or more brothers rise to speak at

the same time, the N. G. shall decide which is entitled to the floor ; and no brother shall speak more than once on the same subject or question, until all who wish to speak may have had an opportunity to do so, nor more than twice without permission from the N. G. Each brother while speaking shall designate the brother spoken of by his proper rank or title according to his standing in the Order.

11. When a blank is to be filled, the question shall be first taken on the highest sum or number and the longest time proposed.

12. Any brother may call for a division of a question, when the sense will admit of it. And any five brothers calling for the yeas and nays, they shall be ordered by the N. G. and recorded on the minutes.

13. Before putting the question, the N. G. shall ask : "Is the Lodge ready for the question?" If no brother rise to speak, he shall rise and put it ; and, after he has risen and put the question, no brother shall be permitted to speak upon it. While the N. G. is addressing the Lodge or putting the question, silence shall be observed in the Lodge room.

14. After any question, except one of indefinite postponement, has been decided, any two brothers who voted in the majority may, at the same time or next regular meeting, move for a reconsideration thereof ; but no discussion of the main question shall be allowed, unless reconsidered.

15. When a brother has been called to order for the manifestation of temper or improper feeling,

he shall not be allowed to speak again in the Lodge at that meeting, unless by special permission of the Lodge.

16. No member shall vote on any question in which he is immediately interested.

17. Every brother present (not in arrears) shall vote, unless for special reasons, except in the case specified in the preceding Rule ; *provided*, this rule does not interfere with provisions of the By-Laws regarding new members, etc.

18. In speaking on points of order, the N. G. shall have precedence, but he cannot speak on any other subject, except to state facts within his own knowledge, without previously vacating his chair, and filling it by a qualified brother.

19. No brother shall retire without leave of the N. G. ; and, during opening, closing, initiation, recess, or taking the yeas and nays, the doors shall be kept closed.

20. On the call of three members for the previous question, the N. G. shall put question in this form : "Shall the main question be now put?" If the motion is carried, the vote shall first be upon all pending amendments, after which, upon the main question. If decided in the negative, the question shall lay over until the next regular meeting.

21. Any brother may excuse himself from serving on a committee, if, at the time of his appointment, he is a member of two other committees, no brother can be appointed on a committee, when absent from the Lodge.

22. The first brother named on a committee shall act as chairman until another is chosen by

the committee. The mover of a resolution referred to a special committee is usually the first named thereon.

23. No committee can be finally discharged until all the debts contracted by it shall have been paid.

24. A motion to close is always in order after the regular business is gone through, which motion shall be decided without debate.

25. These rules of Order may be altered or amended after one week's notice in writing being given, specifying the proposed alteration or amendment; but any one of them, or any clause thereof, may be suspended for the time being, by a vote of two-thirds of all present.

Adopted October 11, 1869.

JOSHUA DAVIES,
Noble Grand.

ATTEST :

CHARLES HAYWARD.
Recording Secretary.





FORMS OF APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP.

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To Victoria Lodge, No. 1, I. O. O. F.
 BROTHERS:—Herewith I present my Card of
 Withdrawal from Lodge, No
 State of.....and respectfully ask to be admitted
 a member of your Lodge, by deposit of the same; [if
 an Ancient Odd Fellow, as an Ancient Odd Fellow.]
 My residence is.....; my age.....years; and
 my occupation is.....

Fraternally yours,

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 Recommended by
 Refers to—

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To Victoria Lodge, No. 1, I. O. O. F.
 GENTLEMEN; Having conceived a favorable opin-
 ion of Odd Fellowship, I respectfully ask to be initiat-
 ed into the Order, and become a member of your
 Lodge.
 My residence is; my age is.....years; and
 my occupation is.....
 If admitted, I promise obedience to the usages and
 laws of the Order and Lodge.

Very respectfully yours,

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 Proposed and recommended by
 Refers to—

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LIST OF OFFICERS AND MEMBERS
OF
VICTORIA LODGE, No. 1,
I. O. O. F.
VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA,
MAY 20TH, 1878.

Officers for Term ending June 30th, 1878.

ELECTIVE.

THOMAS J. PARTRIDGE, P. G N. G.
REUBEN ALBERTSON V. G.
FREDERICK DAVEY R. & P. S.
JOHN WEILER, P. G Treasurer.

APPOINTED.

FRED.'K WILLIAMS Warden.
FRED.'K CARNE, P. G Conductor.
P. J. HALL O. G.
J. JOHNSTON I. G.
A. RODGERS R. S. N. G.
GEO. WILLIAMS L. S. N. G.

T. W. SPEED.....	R. S. V. G.
JNO. KENNEDY.....	L. S. V. G.
A. McBROOM.....	R. S. S.
ROBT. SHARP.....	L. S. S.

MEMBERS.

<i>Name.</i>	<i>Rank.</i>
J. S. Drummond.....	Past Grand
Alex. Phillips.....	Past Grand
Jno. Weiler.....	Past Grand
A. A. Townshend.....	Scarlet Member
Robert Lettice.....	Scarlet Member
P. J. Hall.....	Scarlet Member
Charles Hegele.....	Past Grand
Geo. Stelly.....	Scarlet Member
Charles Gowen.....	Past Grand
G. A. Petzschler.....	Scarlet Member
E. C. Holden.....	Past Grand
Wm. Thompson.....	Scarlet Member
Jacob Sehl.....	Past Grand
L. Steinberg.....	Scarlet Member
Henry Glide.....	Scarlet Member
Geo. Atkinson.....	Scarlet Member
Frank Sylvester.....	Scarlet Member
H. M. Cohen.....	Scarlet Member
James Mady.....	Scarlet Member
J. H. Carmichael.....	Scarlet Member
Joshua Davies.....	Past Grand
Wm. P. Sayward.....	Scarlet Member
W. H. Huxtable.....	Past Grand
Rd. Andrews.....	Scarlet Member
Thomas Lee.....	Scarlet Member
J. W. Williams.....	Scarlet Member

<i>Name.</i>	<i>Rank.</i>
Alex. Rutherford.....	Scarlet Member
Thomas R. Mitchell.....	Past Grand
A. J. Langley.....	Initiatory
Peter Steele.....	Scarlet Member
Richard Roberts.....	Past Grand
Patrick Ferrall.....	Scarlet Member
A. C. Couves.....	Scarlet Member
J. H. King.....	Scarlet Member
Charles Hayward.....	Past Grand
T. A. Williamson.....	Royal Blue
William Spring.....	Scarlet Member
J. G. Taylor.....	Scarlet Member
J. F. Engelhardt.....	Scarlet Member
Hy. Rudolph.....	Royal Blue
J. C. Davie.....	Scarlet Member
Wm. Steele.....	Scarlet Member
Wm. McNiff.....	Scarlet Member
Lewis Lewis.....	Scarlet Member
David Dale.....	Past Grand
Thomas Russell.....	Scarlet Member
Robert Foster.....	Scarlet Member
James Johnston.....	Scarlet Member
Edgar Fawcett.....	Past Grand
Joseph York.....	Past Grand
Digby Palmer.....	Scarlet Member
Thomas Price.....	Scarlet Member
R. J. Forton.....	Scarlet Member
Jno. Robertson.....	Scarlet Member
R. Borthwick.....	Scarlet Member
L. Goodacre.....	Scarlet Member
J. Longhurst.....	Scarlet Member
Thomas Flewin.....	Scarlet Member
Jno. Crowther.....	Scarlet Member

<i>Name.</i>	<i>Rank.</i>
Wm. Bowden.....	Scarlet Member
Wm. Wilson.....	Royal Blue
M. Hart.....	Scarlet Member
J. D. Robinson.....	Past Grand
Thomas Wood.....	Scarlet Member
S. T. Styles.....	Past Grand
W. S. Loutitt.....	Scarlet Member
S. Altermalt.....	Scarlet Member
J. C. F. Giesselmann.....	Scarlet Member
John Woods.....	Scarlet Member
Jno. Isbister.....	Scarlet Member
C. B. Sweeney.....	Scarlet Member
Frank Saunders.....	Scarlet Member
Richard Jeffery.....	Scarlet Member
Thomas Hendry.....	Scarlet Member
Geo. Doughty.....	Scarlet Member
F. G. Richards.....	Scarlet Member
Uriah Nelson.....	Scarlet Member
Jno. Stewart No. 1.....	Scarlet Member
Jno. Murray.....	Royal Blue
J. Dougall.....	Scarlet Member
Wm. A. Elliott.....	Scarlet Member
Jno. M. Read.....	Past Grand
Alex. McKinnon.....	Scarlet Member
Charles Pollock.....	Scarlet Member
Jno. Spence.....	Scarlet Member
Jno. Irvine.....	Scarlet Member
James Muirhead.....	Initiatory
Eden White.....	Scarlet Member
J. J. Russell.....	Scarlet Member
Frederick Carnes.....	Past Grand
Henry Gribble.....	Past Grand
J. E. Edwards.....	Scarlet Member

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Wm. Bosworth.....	Scarlet Member
James Bakewell.....	Scarlet Member
I. Ragazzoni.....	Scarlet Member
Alex. Watson.....	Scarlet Member
Thomas Dodds.....	Scarlet Member
Jno. Holman.....	Scarlet Member
Wm. McEwen.....	Scarlet Member
Joseph Gosnell.....	Past Grand
James Christensen.....	Scarlet Member
A. D. Strachan.....	Royal Blue
Rd. Bowles.....	Scarlet Member
James Ramsay.....	Scarlet Member
Andrew Laing.....	Scarlet Member
Walter Powell.....	Scarlet Member
A. R. Partridge.....	Scarlet Member
Thos. J. Partridge.....	Past Grand
Jno. Smith.....	Scarlet Member
H. G. Lewis.....	Scarlet Member
Wm. Andean.....	Scarlet Member
Geo. W. Anderson.....	Past Grand
Jas. Holness.....	Scarlet Member
Richard Caselton.....	Scarlet Member
Alex. Hendry.....	Scarlet Member
Jno. Kinsman.....	Scarlet Member
Jno. A. Billings.....	Scarlet Member
Jno. Wilson.....	Scarlet Member
Henry Vine.....	Scarlet Member
M. S. Richards.....	Scarlet Member
R. E. Green.....	Scarlet Member
C. R. Watkins.....	Initiatory
Geo. Thomson.....	Scarlet Member
Geo. Lomas.....	Scarlet Member
Geo. Brown.....	Royal Blue

<i>Name.</i>	<i>Rank.</i>
Leon Eckstein.....	Scarlet Member
Jno. Stewart No. 2.....	Scarlet Member
S. S. Burt.....	Scarlet Member
J. P. Pellitier.....	Scarlet Member
Theo. Davie.....	Scarlet Member
J. K. Greenwood.....	Scarlet Member
Joseph Rowe.....	Scarlet Member
Andrew Rodgers.....	Scarlet Member
Charles Lawson.....	Scarlet Member
Charles Kent.....	Scarlet Member
Jesse Mason.....	Scarlet Member
A. J. Finney.....	Initiatory
Jno. Anderson.....	Initiatory
Jno. C. Bryant.....	Scarlet Member
T. W. Speed.....	Scarlet Member
Henry Neil.....	Scarlet Member
Jeremiah Griffiths.....	Scarlet Member
Jno. Levy.....	Scarlet Member
Wm. Thistle.....	Scarlet Member
Frederick Peterson.....	Initiatory
D. Stephen.....	Initiatory
James Doughty.....	Scarlet Member
Wm. McKeon.....	Royal Blue
Daniel Dorman.....	Scarlet Member
Andrew Rome.....	Royal Blue
Frederick Davey.....	Scarlet Member
W. G. Pinder.....	Royal Blue
W. W. Walkem.....	Initiatory
Edwin Field.....	Scarlet Member
Christopher West.....	Scarlet Member
James Seymour.....	Scarlet Member
James Dudgeon.....	Royal Blue
Christian Neaf.....	Scarlet Member

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Jno. Kennedy.....	Scarlet Member
Jno. H Pleace.....	Scarlet Member
Francis Page.....	Scarlet Member
Jno. Stevens Sarah.....	Scarlet Member
Henry Kreutz.....	Scarlet Member
George Smith.....	Scarlet Member
Alex. McBroom.....	Scarlet Member
Patrick Hickey.....	Initiatory
Joseph McTaggart.....	Initiatory
Wm. Hy. Kane.....	Initiatory
Reuben Albertson.....	Scarlet Member
Wm. Irvine.....	Scarlet Member
Geo. Williams.....	Scarlet Member
Frederick Williams.....	Scarlet Member
C. C. Fox.....	Scarlet Member
Robert Sharp.....	Royal Blue
James McCurdy.....	Initiatory
Frank H. Wing.....	Initiatory

I hereby certify that under and in pursuance of the "Charitable Associations Act, 1871," I have perused and approve of the Constitution, By-laws and Rules of the Victoria Lodge, No. 1, (one) of "The Independent Order of Odd Fellows" hereunto annexed.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal of office the 10th day of November, One thousand eight hundred and seventy-one.

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HENRY S. MASON,
Acting Registrar-General.

I hereby certify that I have approved of the foregoing alterations, (shown in Italics) of the By-laws, Rules and Regulations of Victoria Lodge, No. 1, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

VICTORIA, 8th July, 1878.

H. B. W. AIKMAN,
Registrar-General.

L. S.

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I hereby certify that under and in pursuance of the "Charitable Associations Act, 1871," I have revised and approve of the Constitution, By-laws and Rules of the Victoria Lodge, No. 1, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, hereto annexed.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal of office the 10th day of November, One thousand eight hundred and seventy-one.

HENRY S. MASON,
Attest Registrar-General.

